

**Agenda Item:** VI.

**DATE:** April 17, 2003

**SUBJECT:** *Geier* Status Report

**ACTION RECOMMENDED:** Information

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Staff will brief the Commission on activities concerning the *Geier* Consent Decree. The decree, executed in January 2001, provides for a number of initiatives to be undertaken over a five-year period. Aspects of the Consent Decree that currently are under discussion include the status of funding to implement the Decree and academic programming issues in Middle Tennessee. Implications of the University of Michigan's admissions policies and the case before the U.S. Supreme Court also will be discussed.